

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

Notice of Proposed ReInjection
Under General Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2009-0105

Former Page Property
3920 Canyon Road
Willits, California
Mendocino County

The Willits Environmental Remediation Trust (WERT) submitted a workplan titled "Addendum to Interim Remedial Action Work Plan for Hexavalent Chromium" proposing to reinject reducing agents in accordance with General Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2009-0105 (GWDRs). The WERT is proposing to reinject calcium polysulfide and molasses to enhance the in-situ reduction of hexavalent chromium in soil and groundwater at the Page Property, also known as the Old Willits Landfill, located at 3920 Canyon Road, Willits, California. The IRA is designed to permanently convert hexavalent chromium (the mobile and toxic form of chromium) to trivalent chromium (an insoluble and non-toxic form of chromium) at the Property. The IRA will be achieved by injecting highly treated groundwater mixed with molasses and calcium polysulfide ("remedial solutions") into the subsurface to reduce the existing hexavalent chromium to trivalent chromium.

Revised Monitoring Program Order No. R1-2010-0093 (MRP) has been drafted and will be finalized following the public comment period. A copy of the draft MRP is available upon request or on our web page at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public_notices/. The MRP requires monitoring of groundwater in the injection area, downgradient of the injection area, and in contingency groundwater monitoring wells located at the toe of the landfill where an existing groundwater extraction system is located. Groundwater is currently extracted and pumped to the top of the landfill where it is treated to below detection limits, and is covered under an existing NPDES Permit No. CA0025143. The WERT proposes to use the highly treated groundwater as part of the IRA. The MRP also requires sampling of Darby Creek.

A 30 day public comment period begins on October 19, 2010 and ends on November 18, 2010.

The full proposal for the IRA can be reviewed on Geotracker at: http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0604591170 and on the Willits Environmental Remediation Trust website at: www.willitstrust.org. The proposal is also available in our office and at the document repository located at 675 South Main Street in Willits.

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